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ERROR IN THE PRINT OF EX. DOC. No. 65, RELATING TO DIFFICULTIES ON SAN JUAN ISLAND.

LETTER

FROM

THE SECRETARY OF WAR,

CALLING

Attention to an error in the printing of Ex. Doc. No. 65, of the present session.

MAY 25, 1860.—Laid upon the table, and ordered to be printed.

WAR DEPARTMENT, *May* 23, 1860.

SIR: On page 37 of House Executive Document No. 65, of the present session, containing the correspondence of this department with Brigadier General Harney, respecting the late difficulties at San Juan island, and military affairs in the department of Oregon, there appears, as a part of a letter from General Harney to Mr. Campbell, commissioner of the northwest boundary, the following sentence:

"Among other things, you have been pleased to inform me that you have authorized Colonel Casey to call for volunteers, and that you 'feel assured of my cordial co-operation whenever an emergency may require it.'"

This sentence forms, in the original, the second paragraph of the letter, on page 36, from Governor Gholson to General Harney, from which it has been transposed by a mistake on the part of the printer.

This error is of some moment, as it places the commissioner appointed to settle the disputed boundary in the light of having authorized a call for volunteers to aid in taking possession of one of the points in dispute; and I therefore beg leave to request that it may be brought to the attention of the House of Representatives.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

JOHN B. FLOYD,
Secretary of War.